

is an important education program for our community.

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY LEWIS

Account: IMLS

Project Name: Cabot's Pueblo Museum

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Desert Hot Springs

Address of Requesting Entity: 65950 Pierson Boulevard, Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240
Amount: \$100,000

Description of Request: Funds will be used for preserving artifacts and modern museum collection care at the Cabot's Pueblo museum. Cabot's Pueblo is a unique Hopi-inspired structure handmade by local resident Cabot Yerxa over 24 years. It includes 35 rooms, 150 windows and 65 doors, all crafted from found materials. The museum houses Cabot's collection of Native American pottery, early 20th century photographs and artifacts from his Alaskan adventures. The museum grounds, including a picnic area, are landscaped with native plants and home to many rustic period items—early 1900's tools, machinery and household goods. Project goals also include development of diverse learning programs that provide a greater opportunity for appreciation of regional and natural heritage.

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY LEWIS

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Project Name: Yucaipa Library

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Yucaipa

Address of Requesting Entity: 34272 Yucaipa Boulevard, Yucaipa, CA 92399-9950
Amount: \$100,000

Description of Request: In a time when residents are relying more on the city's public services, growth in the library usage calls for enhancement of materials and technology. Funds will be used to expand library collections and upgrade technology.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DONALD A. MANZULLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mr. MANZULLO. Madam Speaker, on Monday, July 20, 2009, I was unable to return to Washington in time to vote because of flight delays at O'Hare International Airport. If I was here, I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 593, "yea" on rollcall No. 594, and "yea" on rollcall No. 595.

HONORING DR. GRAY MULTER

HON. ERIC J.J. MASSA

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mr. MASSA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a friend and scientist, Dr. Gray Multer. Gray was a marine geologist who dedicated his life to the study and preservation of marine ecosystems.

Born in Syracuse, New York, Gray earned his Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Syracuse University. After receiving his Ph.D.

from Ohio State University, he was a Professor of Geology for 30 years, first at the College of Wooster and then at Fairleigh Dickinson University as the chair of its geology department.

During his life, Gray authored or co-authored over 70 scientific publications, as well as several books. In 2008, he was awarded an honorary membership from the International Society for Reef Studies for his distinguished research and service to society.

Gray was known for his warm demeanor and strength of character, always a teacher dedicated to instilling a love of learning in his students. He also volunteered with Habitat for Humanity in his spare time.

It is to Gray's life and work that I would like to dedicate my sponsorship of the Ocean Conservation, Education and National Strategy for the 21st Century Act, as well as the Tropical Forest and Coral Conservation Act.

As Gray recognized, the protection and restoration of marine ecosystems is tremendously important in order to halt their irreversible loss. In his memory, I hope that my support for these bills will benefit the ecology of our oceans and help preserve them for future generations.

HONORING CEDAR HILL CITY
COUNCILMAN GREG PATTON

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable public servant and friend of Cedar Hill, Greg Patton. Mr. Patton served on the Cedar Hill City Council from 2000 until 2009. Throughout his nine years on the council, Mr. Patton exemplified the true meaning of public service by always prioritizing the needs of others first. With his retirement from the council, Mr. Patton will be sorely missed but I am confident his presence will continue to shine in Cedar Hill.

In addition to his council duties, Mr. Patton served as a member and chair of the Southwest Dallas County Transportation Committee, served on the National League of Cities Steering Committee for Transportation and Infrastructure Services, and served as an active participant in the River of Trade Corridor Coalition.

Prior to his council tenure, Mr. Patton chaired the Joe Pool Lake Planning Council which resulted in the last lake built in North Texas and the creation of Lake Joe Pool State Park. During the same time, he also served as commissioner and then as chairman of the Cedar Hill Planning and Zoning Commission.

A familiar face in the Cedar Hill community, Mr. Patton is an active member of the Cedar Hill Church of Christ and a member of the Cedar Hill Lions Club. He is also a regular volunteer at the Cedar Hill Food Pantry and served for twenty years on the Cedar Hill Volunteer Fire Department from 1977 until 1997. Among his many other accomplishments, Mr. Patton was the chair of the 1975 City Charter Committee for Cedar Hill.

Mr. Patton's wife, Linda, and two children all deserve a special thank you for allowing him to spend so much time dedicated to the betterment of Cedar Hill. Mr. Patton also has one granddaughter and three grandsons.

Distinguished colleagues, please join me in honoring Greg Patton's tireless passion, proven commitment, and years of admirable service to the growth and success of Cedar Hill. I am proud to join the Cedar Hill community in saluting Greg for all of his hard work, and I wish him the best in the next chapter of his life.

HONORING HEIDI REITZ OF
SARTELL, MINNESOTA AS AN
ANGEL OF ADOPTION

HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Heidi Reitz of Sartell, Minnesota, one of this year's Angels of Adoption. As you know, this prestigious award from the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute honors people who have given so much of themselves to help children and families find one another.

Even without this award, Heidi would deserve acknowledgment for her extraordinary work bettering the lives of orphans in China as Director of Programs for Love Without Boundaries. I am honored, as a foster mother myself, to make known her hard work to this Congress. Because of Heidi's volunteer efforts, more than 300 children are in loving homes.

The inspiration for her tireless dedication can be found in her own home. Her husband has helped Love Without Boundaries with cleft palate surgeries and two of her six beautiful children were adopted from China. As a volunteer, Heidi has arranged trips for two cleft-lip orphans and helped start a cleft healing home where children awaiting surgery to correct this difficult condition can be properly cared for. Heidi is working to make sure each of these special children are adopted into homes ready and prepared to care for them.

Madam Speaker, Heidi Reitz has done such a service for all of mankind through her tireless dedication to orphan children in China. As families from every country wait to be united with their adopted parents and children, Heidi is giving them every opportunity to complete their family. The Love Without Borders website uses the anonymous quote, "To the world, you might be one person . . . but to one person you might be the world." To the hundreds of children and families, Heidi is "the world" and an Angel in Adoption Award is just a small way we can show our appreciation for her efforts.

HONORING JUDY O'CONNOR

HON. DAVID WU

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mr. WU. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a woman who has dedicated 27 years to serving the labor community in Oregon.

Judy O'Connor joined the Northwest Oregon Labor Council as an office worker in 1982, and her skills and dedication to the union